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111TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

## S. 2585

To suspend temporarily the duty on certain men's knit-to-shape cashmere sweaters.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES Mrs. Hutchison introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on A BILL To suspend temporarily the duty on certain men's knitto-shape cashmere sweaters. 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, SECTION 1. CERTAIN MEN'S KNIT-TO-SHAPE CASHMERE 4 SWEATERS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 99 of 5 the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States is amended by inserting in numerical sequence the following new heading: 9902.01.00 Knit-to-shape sweaters for men, of eashmere, as described in U.S. note 21(b) to this subchapter (provided for in subheading 6110.12.20) ... Free No change No change

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| 1  | (D) AMENDMENTS TO U.S. NOTES.—                              |  |  |
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| 2  | (1) In general.—Subchapter II of chapter 99                 |  |  |
| 3  | of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United             |  |  |
| 4  | States is amended by adding at the end the fol-             |  |  |
| 5  | lowing new U.S. Note:                                       |  |  |
| 6  | "21. (a) Headings [9902.01.00 through                       |  |  |
| 7  | 9902.XX.XXI cover only garments that were knit to           |  |  |
| 8  | shape on flat knitting machines with a stitch count exceed  |  |  |
| 9  | ing 9 stitches per 2 centimeters but less than or equal     |  |  |
| 10 | to 18 stitches per 2 centimeters, measured on the outer     |  |  |
| 11 | surface of the fabric forming the exterior surface of the   |  |  |
| 12 | garment in the direction on which the stitches are formed   |  |  |
| 13 | Whenever such fabric is formed using both knit and pur      |  |  |
| 14 | stitches, the purl stitches will be disregarded and only th |  |  |
| 15 | knit stitches on the outer surface of the fabric will b     |  |  |
| 16 | counted. In order to be eligible for entry under these head |  |  |
| 17 | ings—                                                       |  |  |
| 18 | "(1) all of the garment's component parts, in-              |  |  |
| 19 | cluding any collars, plackets, cuffs, waistbands and        |  |  |
| 20 | pockets, must have been knit to shape; and                  |  |  |
| 21 | "(2) all of the garment's components must have              |  |  |
| 22 | been assembled by looping and linking, including the        |  |  |
| 23 | side seams.                                                 |  |  |
| 24 | "(b) Headings [9902.01.00 through 9902.XX.XX]               |  |  |
| 25 | cover only garments that were knit to shape on flat knit-   |  |  |

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| 1  | ting machines with a stitch count not exceeding 9 stitches     |  |
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| 2  | per 2 centimeters, measured on the outer surfaces of the       |  |
| 3  | fabric forming the exterior surface of the garment in the      |  |
| 4  | direction on which the stitches are formed. Whenever such      |  |
| 5  | fabric is formed using both knit and purl stitches, the purl   |  |
| 6  | stitches will be disregarded and only the knit stitches on     |  |
| 7  | the outer surface of the fabric will be counted. In order      |  |
| 8  | to be eligible for entry under these headings—                 |  |
| 9  | "(1) all of the garment's component parts, in-                 |  |
| 10 | cluding any collars, plackets, cuffs, waistbands and           |  |
| 11 | pockets, must have been knit to shape; and                     |  |
| 12 | "(2) all of the garment's components must have                 |  |
| 13 | been assembled by looping and linking, including the           |  |
| 14 | side seams.".                                                  |  |
| 15 | (2) Technical correction.—Such sub-                            |  |
| 16 | chapter is further amended by striking the first U.S.          |  |
| 17 | Note 18 to such subchapter (relating to headings               |  |
| 18 | 9902.14.01 through 9902.14.05) and inserting after             |  |
| 19 | U.S. Note 19, the following new U.S. Note:                     |  |
| 20 | "20. For the purposes of subheadings 9902.14.01,               |  |
| 21 | $9902.14.02,\ 9902.14.03,\ 9902.14.04,\ and\ 9902.14.05,\ the$ |  |
| 22 | term 'mechanics' work gloves' means gloves having the fol-     |  |
| 23 | lowing characteristics: synthetic leather palms and fingers;   |  |
| 24 | fourchettes of synthetic leather or of fabric in part of       |  |
| 25 | nylon or elastomeric yarn; backs comprising either one         |  |

- 1 layer of knitted fabric in part of elastomeric yarn or three
- 2 layers with the outer layer of knitted fabric in part of elas-
- 3 tomeric yarn, the center layer of foam and the inner layer
- 4 of tricot fabric, the foregoing whether or not including a
- 5 thermoplastic rubber logo or pad on the back; and elastic
- 6 wrist straps with molded thermoplastic rubber hook-and-
- 7 loop enclosures.".
- 8 (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 9 this section apply to goods entered, or withdrawn from
- 10 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
- 11 the date of the enactment of this Act.

## **BILL DESCRIPTION FORM**

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**Part I.** <u>S. 2585</u> was introduced on <u>October 30, 2009</u>. I am aware that the deadline to introduce bills is on October 30, 2009. If the bill referenced above is a modification of a previously introduced bill to reflect technical changes, please indicate the previous bill number here: N/A.

| Part II. The bill referenced above is: (please check of a new temporary duty suspension or temporary an extension of an existing temporary duty suspension of an extension of an existing temporary duty suspension of an extension of an existing temporary duty such as reliquidation in an instance of customs error at technical correction to U.S. tariff laws | ary duty reduction<br>suspension or temporary duty reductior |
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| Part III. Name of proponent(s):                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Phone/email:                                                 |
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| Part IV. The bill referenced above: ☐ has a companion bill in the House of Repres ☐ does <u>not</u> have a companion bill in the House                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                              |
| Part V. If the Committee has a technical question conc<br>Committee contact on your staff?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | cerning the bill, who should the                             |
| Jamie Moore, (202) 224-5922                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                              |
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| Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                              |
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30, 2009. If the bill referenced above is a modification of a previously introduced bill to reflect technical changes, please indicate the previous bill number here: N/A. **Part II.** Please indicate the type of disclosure below: (Please check one only) ☐ The bill referenced in Part I is reasonably anticipated to benefit 10 or fewer individuals or entities, and as such constitutes a Limited Tariff Benefit. (Complete Part III) ▶ The bill referenced in Part I is reasonably anticipated to benefit more than 10 individuals or entities, and as such does not constitute a Limited Tariff Benefit. Part III. Provide the information below in subparts A, B, and C if the bill referenced above is a Limited Tariff Benefit. A. Anticipated Beneficiaries: B. Purpose of the Limited Tariff Benefit: To suspend, temporarily the duty on certain men's knit-to-shape cashmere sweaters. C. Financial Benefit Certification I hereby certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a financial interest in the above described limited tariff benefit. Antohism 11/04/2009 Date Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (Print Member name)